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C O N F I D E N T I A L BELGRADE 1315

EO 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: PFOR PINT YO UR  
SUBJ: INTERIOR SECRETARY VISITS MOSCOW

REF: MOSCOW 2853

1. INFORMATION ON SUBSTANCE OF VISIT OF INTERIOR  
SECRETARY HERLJEVIC TO MOSCOW HAS BEEN SKIMPY.  
YUGOSLAV PRESS REPORTS EMPHASIZED THAT HE WENT AT  
THE INVITATION OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER SCHOLOKOV.  
THEY SAID HE MET WITH KGB CHIEF ANDROPOV AND THAT  
ANDROPOV ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO VISIT YUGOSLAVIA  
THIS YEAR. HERLJEVIC REPORTEDLY SAID UPON HIS RETURN  
THAT THE TALKS HAD BEEN CONDUCTED IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF  
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FRIENDSHIP AND FULL UNDERSTANDING.

2. BEFORE GOING TO MOSCOW, HERLJEVIC TOLD BRITISH  
EMBOFF AT A SOVIET RECEPTION THAT HE WOULD BE GOING  
TO MOSCOW NOT ONLY IN HIS CAPACITY AS INTERIOR SECRETARY  
BUT ALSO FOR POLITICAL TALKS (REFTEL CONFIRMS THIS).  
HERLJEVIC SAID HE HAD SPOKEN TO TITO ABOUT THE

TRIP ON TWO OCCASIONS, BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER TALKING WITH THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR. HE ALSO TOLD THE BRITISH OFFICER AT THAT TIME THAT ANDROPOV WOULD BE PAYING A RETURN VISIT. BRITISH ATTACH NO PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE TO HERLJEVIC'S TRIP AND NOTE THAT HE HAS MADE SIMILAR VISITS TO WESTGERMANY.

3. SOVIET EMBASSY COUNSELOR SIDELNIKOV CLAIMED TO US THAT THERE HAVE BEEN 9-10 SUCH EXCHANGES BETWEEN INTERIOR MINISTERS SINCE 1964-65. HE ASSERTED SUBJECTS COVERED INCLUDE RE-UNIFICATION OF FAMILIES, MARRIAGE CASES, TOURIST PROBLEMS AND SMUGGLING OF ICONS AND OTHER ART OBJECTS. HE WOULD NOT BE DRAWN INTO DISCUSSION OF SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS COMINFORMISTS AND EXCHANGE OF INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION. ROMANIAN COUNSELOR, NOTING THAT HIS INTERIOR MINISTER HAD RECENTLY VISITED BELGRADE AND THAT HERLJEVIC GOING TO BUCHAREST "SOON", TOOK SAME LOW-KEY ATTITUDE AS BRITISH. WHILE SAYING HE KNEW YUGOSLAVS EXCHANGED SOME INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION WITH SOVIETS, HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE SOVIETS NOT GETTING WHAT THEY WANTED. HE ALSO POINTED TO DOLANC'S RECENT CRITICISM OF POLITICAL "GROUPINGS" AS SIGN MAIN PURPOSE OF HERLJEVIC VISIT TO SOVIET UNION WAS TO COMPLAIN ABOUT COMINFORMISTS JUST AS MAIN PURPOSE OF HIS TRIP TO BONN WAS TO COMPLAIN ABOUT CROATIAN SEPARATISTS. YORK

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